Permission for starting of Casinos in Maharashtra

110. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA:

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the proposal of Maharashtra Government to encourage NRIs to open Casinos in Maharashtra; and

(b) whether Government have a policy to allow starting of Casinos in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIV RAJ PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

Fire in Offices of NCERT

111. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADOV:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether offices of certain departments of NCERT were destroyed in fire that broke out recently;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, stating the extent of damage/loss as a consequence thereof; and

(c) what is the outcome of the inquiry, if any, made into the fire incident and what action has been taken/is proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) has appointed an Inquiry Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary, NCERT to ascertain the probable cause of fire and damage caused by it. The Committee is yet to submit its report.

Bus Accident on Bhakra Canal

112. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of persons were killed recently in a tragic accident when a bus carrying them fell into Bhakra main canal and that this is the fourth such accident on the canal bridges;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the outcome of the inquiry conducted by Government into the ghastly accident, stating the measures proposed to be taken to provide adequate safety on the bridges to avoid recurrence of such tragedies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Detailed information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

113. [*Transferred to the 15th November*, 1988].

आइलैंड एक्सप्रेस की दुर्घटना के संबंध में जांच प्रतिवेदन

114. **श्री राम जेठमलानी :**

सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा:

क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि रेलवे सुरक्षा उपायुक्त द्वारा जुलाई, 1988 में आइलैण्ड एक्सप्रेस के केरल में दुर्घटनाग्रस्त होने की घटना की जांच की गई थी;

(ख) क्या सरकार को जांच प्रतिवेदन प्राप्त हो चुका है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि प्रतिवेदन अनुसार दुर्घटना का